

Mission Inn Resort & Club To Host 2019 U.S. Qualifiers For PGA TOUR Canada and PGA TOUR Latinoamerica

Tournaments provide playing opportunities abroad for emerging talent

Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla. (Aug. 2, 2018) – <u>Mission Inn Resort & Club</u> is adding the 2019 U.S. qualifying tournament for the Mackenzie Tour-PGA TOUR Canada to its calendar for the next three years, in addition to already being named host of the U.S. qualifier for the PGA TOUR Latinoamerica through 2021.

Competition at the iconic central Florida golf destination will be played on its historic El Campeón course, with the 2019 PGA TOUR Latinoamerica scheduled for January, while the Mackenzie Tour is scheduled for March 4-8, 2019.

The PGA TOUR Latinoamerica qualifier is returning for the second of four years exclusively at Mission Inn Resort, while the PGA TOUR selected the resort as a U.S. qualifying venue for the Mackenzie Tour from 2019 through 2021. Leading finishers from the qualifiers earn same-year memberships for playing privileges on the respective tours.

"It is an honor to host the PGA TOUR and a generation of emerging stars," said Bud Beucher, general manager of Mission Inn Resort & Club. "El Campeón has a way of identifying the best of the best in competition. It has become a place in golf where tradition meets the future."

At this year's PGA TOUR Latinoamerica qualifier, membership was awarded to the top-35 finishers and those tied for 35th at the end of the four qualifying rounds.

Through the years, Mission Inn Resort & Club's timeline of elite competition has included virtually every level of play, from the Florida State High School Golf Championships to the upcoming 42nd Florida State Senior Open.

Most notably, the resort's legacy of hosting a major or regional collegiate golf championship every year since the 1990s is going to extend at least through 2020 – hitting the 24-year mark for consecutive seasons serving as home for collegiate golf competition. It is a record few facilities can boast.

El Campeón ("The Champion") is one of the oldest courses in the South, with the classic design elements to prove it and sharp elevation changes that are unusual for central Florida. El Campeón plays more than 7,000 yards from the tips. The course is on the Florida Historic Golf Trail.

Located just 35 minutes' northwest of Orlando, Mission Inn is situated amid citrus groves in central Florida. Surrounded by lakes, the picturesque location features graciously appointed guest rooms, suites, and villas; four unique restaurants and lounges; a tennis academy; Spa Marbella; lakefront marine center; and nature trails.

For additional information, visit www.missioninnresort.com.

#

About Mission Inn Resort & Club: An authentic Florida experience, Mission Inn is a four-season resort located in the rolling hills of Central Florida's Lake County in the town of Howey-in-the-Hills, 35 minutes' northwest of Orlando. The destination resort features classic Spanish Colonial architecture, 176 graciously appointed guestrooms, suites and villas, two championship golf courses, four restaurants and lounges and poolside bar. Recreational amenities include eight tennis courts, trap and skeet shooting range, jogging and bicycling trails, volleyball courts, outdoor pool and hydro-spa, fitness center, nautical center with 52-slip marina, fishing, and powerboat and go eco-touring. The 6,200-square-foot Spa Marbella provides an extensive menu of treatments and services.

More than 30,000 square feet of well-appointed indoor and outdoor event space is available for meetings, banquets, holiday parties, weddings and special occasions. For more information, guests may call (800) 874-9053 or visit the resort's Web site at www.missioninnresort.com

Media Contact Karen Moraghan Hunter Public Relations (908) 963-6013 kmoraghan@hunter-pr.com